

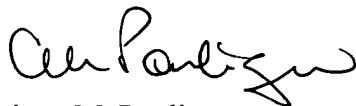
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**REMARKS**

The original specification, as filed, includes reference to the provisional application filed August 23, 2001, but the Serial No. was not yet known. This Preliminary Amendment adds the Serial No. of the provisional application filed August 23, 2001. Accordingly, no new matter has been added. Entry of the amendment respectfully requested.

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**APPENDIX**

**VERSION WITH MARKINGS**  
**TO SHOW CHANGES MADE IN THE SPECIFICATION**

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 1, in the first paragraph after RELATED APPLICATIONS, please amend the first paragraph as follows:

This application claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/233,661, filed September 19, 2000, and to [a U.S. Provisional Application filed on August 23, 2001, under PEPPER HAMILTON LLP Docket Number 114205.2401, entitled "Control of NK Cell Function and Survival by Modulation of SHIP Activity"] U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/314,099, filed August 23, 2001, the [disclosure] disclosures of which [is] are hereby incorporated in [its] their entirety by reference.